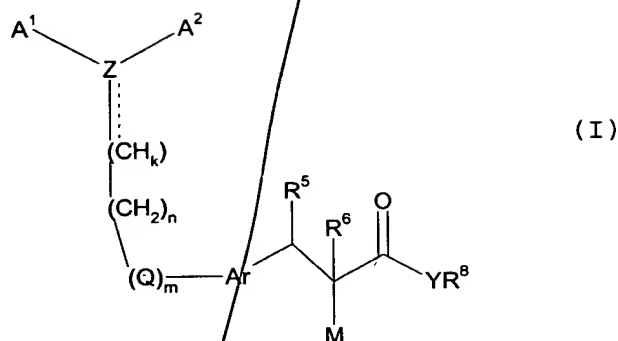


What is claimed is:

1. A compound of formula (I)



wherein A¹ and A² are independently of each other a 5-6 membered cyclic ring or a 9-10 membered bicyclic ring, optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, formyl, or C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, (C₃₋₆-cycloalkyl)C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, arylalkyl, arylalkoxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, amino, acylamino, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl-amino, C₁₋₆-dialkylamino, arylamino, arylalkylamino, aminoC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, arylalkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, arylalkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, arylthio, C₁₋₁₂-alkylthio, thioC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, arylalkoxycarbonylamino, -COR¹, or -SO₂R², wherein R¹ and R² independently of each other are selected from hydroxy, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or amino optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl, perhalomethyl or aryl; optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano;

Z is C or CR³, wherein R³ is hydrogen, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxy, aryloxy, arylalkoxy, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, arylalkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, thioC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, -COR⁴, or -SO₂R¹¹, wherein R⁴ and R¹¹ independently of each other are selected from hydroxy, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or amino optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl, perhalomethyl or

aryl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano;

Q is O, S or NR¹², wherein R¹² is hydrogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, acyl, hydroxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, aminoC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, arylalkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, arylalkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, thioC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, -COR¹³, or -SO₂R¹⁴, wherein R¹³ and R¹⁴ independently of each other are selected from hydroxy, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or amino optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl, perhalomethyl or aryl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano;

----- represents a single bond or a double bond;

Ar is arylene, heteroarylene, or a divalent heterocyclic group each of which is optionally substituted with one or more halogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, amino, hydroxy, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or aryl;

R⁵ is hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxy, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl or arylalkyl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano or R⁵ forms a bond together with R⁶;

R⁶ is hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxy, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, acyl or arylalkyl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano or R⁶ forms a bond together with R⁵;

M is OR⁷, where R⁷ is hydrogen, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl or heteroarylalkyl groups optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano or M is COYR⁸;

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R⁸ is hydrogen, C₁₋₁₂alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocycl, heteroaryl or heteroarylalkyl groups optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano;

- 5 Y is oxygen, sulphur or NR¹⁰, where R¹⁰ is hydrogen, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, aryl, hydroxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl or arylalkyl groups or when Y is NR¹⁰, R⁸ and R¹⁰ may form a 5 or 6 membered nitrogen containing ring, optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl;

k is an integer ranging from 1 to 2, n is an integer ranging from 0 to 3 and m is an integer ranging from 0 to 1;

or a salt thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base, or any optical isomer or mixture of optical isomers, or any tautomeric forms.

- 15 2. A compound of claim 1, wherein A¹ and A² are independently of each other a 5-6 membered cyclic ring or a 9-10 membered bicyclic ring, optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₆-alkyl, (C₃₋₆-cycloalkyl)C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, arylalkyl, arylalkoxy, heterocycl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, acyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkyl-amino, C₁₋₆-dialkylamino, arylamino, arylalkylamino, aminoC₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxycarbonyl, alkylaminocarbonyl, aryloxycarbonyl, arylalkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, or arylalkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl.

- 25 3. A compound of claim 1, wherein A¹ and A² are independently of each other a 5-6 membered cyclic ring or a 9-10 membered bicyclic ring, optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₆-alkyl, (C₃₋₆-cycloalkyl)C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, arylalkyl, arylalkoxy, heterocycl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, acyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkyl-amino, C₁₋₆-dialkylamino, arylamino, arylalkylamino, aminoC₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, or arylalkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl.

4. A compound of claim 1, wherein A¹ and A² are independently of each other a 5-6 membered cyclic ring or a 9-10 membered bicyclic ring, optionally substituted with one or more halogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or aryl.

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5. A compound of claim 1, wherein A¹ and A² are independently of each other a 5-6 membered cyclic ring optionally substituted with one or more halogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, or aryl.

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6. A compound of claim 1, wherein Z is a carbon atom at the end of a double bond, or Z is CR³, wherein R³ is hydrogen, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₄₋₁₂-alkenynyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkenyl, C₂₋₁₂-alkynyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxy, aryloxy, arylalkoxy, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₁₋₁₂-alkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, arylalkoxyC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, thioC₁₋₁₂-alkyl, -COR⁴, or -SO₂R¹¹, wherein R⁴ and R¹¹ independently of each other are selected from hydroxy, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or amino optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl, perhalomethyl or aryl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano.

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7. A compound of claim 1, wherein Z is a carbon atom at the end of a double bond, or Z is CR³, wherein R³ is hydrogen, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, aryloxy, arylalkoxy, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, acyl, acyloxy, hydroxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, arylalkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, thioC₁₋₆-alkyl, -COR⁴, or -SO₂R¹¹, wherein R⁴ and R¹¹ independently of each other are selected from hydroxy, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or amino optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl, perhalomethyl or aryl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano.

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8. A compound of claim 1, wherein Z is a carbon atom at the end of a double bond, or Z is CR³, wherein R³ is hydrogen, halogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, aryloxy, arylalkoxy, heteroaryloxy, heteroarylalkoxy, C₁₋₆-alkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, or arylalkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl.

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9. A compound of claim 1, wherein Z is a carbon atom at the end of a double bond, or Z is CR³, wherein R³ is hydrogen.

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10. A compound of claim 1, wherein Q is O, S, or NR¹², wherein R¹² is hydrogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, acyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, aminoC₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-

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- alkoxycarbonyl, aryloxy carbonyl, arylalkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, aryloxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, arylalkoxyC₁₋₆-alkyl, thioC₁₋₆-alkyl, -COR¹³, or -SO₂R¹⁴, wherein R¹³ and R¹⁴ independently of each other are selected from hydroxy, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy or amino optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl, perhalomethyl or aryl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, or perhalomethyl.
11. A compound of claim 1, wherein Q is O, S, or NR¹², wherein R¹² is hydrogen, perhalomethyl, C₁₋₆-alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, or acyl.
12. A compound of claim 1, wherein Q is O or S.
13. A compound of claim 1, wherein Q is O.
14. A compound of claim 1, wherein Ar is arylene, heteroarylene, or a divalent heterocyclic group each of which can optionally be substituted with one or more halogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl or C₁₋₆-alkoxy.
15. A compound of claim 1, wherein Ar is arylene, or heteroarylene.
16. A compound of claim 1, wherein Ar is arylene.
17. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁵ is hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl or arylalkyl optionally substituted with one or more halogen, or perhalomethyl or R⁵ forms a bond together with R⁶.
18. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁵ is hydrogen, halogen, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, C₁₋₆-alkyl, or perhalomethyl or R⁵ forms a bond together with R⁶.
19. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁵ is hydrogen, halogen or R⁵ forms a bond together with R⁶.
20. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁵ is hydrogen.

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21. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^6 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} -alkoxy, C_{1-6} -alkyl, C_{4-6} -alkenynyl, C_{2-6} -alkenyl, C_{2-6} -alkynyl, acyl or arylalkyl optionally substituted with one or more halogen or perhalomethyl or R^6 forms a bond together with R^5 .
- 5 22. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^6 is hydrogen, halogen, C_{1-6} -alkoxy, or R^6 forms a bond together with R^5 .
23. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^6 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} -alkoxy, or R^6 forms a bond together with R^5 .
- 10 24. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^6 is hydrogen.
25. A compound of claim 1, wherein M is OR^7 , where R^7 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} -alkyl, C_{4-6} -alkenynyl, C_{2-6} -alkenyl, C_{2-6} -alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, C_{1-6} -alkoxy C_{1-6} -alkyl, C_{1-6} -alkoxycarbonyl, 15 aryloxycarbonyl, C_{1-6} -alkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, acyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl or heteroarylalkyl groups optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano.
26. A compound of claim 1, wherein M is OR^7 , where R^7 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} -alkyl, C_{4-6} - 20 alkenynyl, C_{2-6} -alkenyl, C_{2-6} -alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, C_{1-6} -alkoxy C_{1-6} -alkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl or heteroarylalkyl groups optionally substituted with one or more halogen or perhalomethyl.
27. A compound of claim 1, wherein M is OR^7 , where R^7 is C_{1-6} -alkyl or M is $COYR^8$ where 25 R^8 is defined as in claim 1.
28. A compound of claim 1, wherein M is OR^7 , where R^7 is ethyl or M is $COYR^8$ where R^8 is defined as in claim 1.
- 30 29. A compound of claim 1, wherein R^8 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} -alkyl, C_{4-6} -alkenynyl, C_{2-6} -alkenyl, C_{2-6} -alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl or heteroarylalkyl groups optionally substituted with one or more halogen, perhalomethyl, hydroxy, nitro or cyano.

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30. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁸ is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₄₋₆-alkenynyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl, C₂₋₆-alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl or heteroarylalkyl groups optionally substituted with one or more halogen, or perhalomethyl.

31. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁸ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆alkyl.

32. A compound of claim 1, wherein R⁸ is hydrogen or ethyl.

33. A compound of claim 1, wherein Y is oxygen, sulphur or NR¹⁰, where R¹⁰ is hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, aryl, hydroxyC₁₋₆-alkyl or arylalkyl groups or when Y is NR¹⁰, R⁸ and R¹⁰ may form a 5 or 6 membered nitrogen containing ring, optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl.

34. A compound of claim 1, wherein Y is oxygen, or NR¹⁰, where R¹⁰ is hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, aryl, or arylalkyl groups, or when Y is NR¹⁰, R⁸ and R¹⁰ may form a 5 or 6 membered nitrogen containing ring, optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₆-alkyl.

35. A compound of claim 1, wherein Y is oxygen.

36. A compound of claim 1, wherein k is an integer ranging from 1 to 2.

37. A compound of claim 1, wherein n and m are 1.

38. A compound of claim 1, which is

2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,
 3-{4-[3-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 3-{4-[3-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 3-{4-[3,3-Bis-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 3-{4-[3,3-Bis-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 3-{4-[3-Phenyl-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 3-{4-[3-Phenyl-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,

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- 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,
 3-[4-(3,3-Diphenyl-propoxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 3-[4-(3,3-Diphenyl-propoxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 5 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-propoxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-(4-methylphenyl)-propoxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,
 3-[4-[3-Phenyl-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-propoxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 3-[4-[3-Phenyl-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-propoxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 2-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-allyloxy]-benzyl]-malonic acid dimethyl ester,
 10 (E)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-(4-furan-2-yl-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl
 ester,
 (E)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-(4-furan-2-yl-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,
 (E)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-phenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 (E)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-phenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 15 (E, Z)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-phenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl es-
 ter,
 (E, Z)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-phenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(3-methyl-thiophen-2-yl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-bromo-phenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 20 3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-bromo-phenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-(3-phenyl-3-pyridin-4-yl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 2-Ethoxy-3-[4-(3-phenyl-3-pyridin-4-yl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-propionic acid,
 (E, Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-thiophen-2-yl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic
 acid ethyl ester,
 25 (E, Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-thiophen-2-yl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic
 acid,
 (E, Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-p-tolyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 (E, Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-phenyl-3-p-tolyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,
 (2S)-3-[4-(3,3-Diphenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,
 30 (2S)-3-[4-(3,3-Diphenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,
 (Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid ethyl es-
 ter,
 (Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-{4-[3-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl}-propionic acid,

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(E)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[3-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(E)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[3-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-propionic acid,

(2S)-3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-methoxyphenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

5 (2S)-3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-methoxyphenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(2S)-3-[4-(3,3-Di-p-tolyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(2S)-3-[4-(3,3-Di-p-tolyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(Z)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-phenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(Z)-(2S)-3-[4-[3-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(Z)-(2S)-3-[4-[3-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(2S)-3-[4-(3,3-Bis-biphenyl-4-yl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(2S)-3-[4-(3,3-Bis-biphenyl-4-yl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(2S)-3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-bromophenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

15 (2S)-3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-bromophenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[3-(4-furan-2-yl-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(Z)-(2S)-2-Ethoxy-3-[4-[3-(4-furan-2-yl-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-propionic acid,

(E)-(2S)-3-[4-[3-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(E)-(2S)-3-[4-[3-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(2S)-3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-furan-2-yl-phenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(2S)-3-[4-[3,3-Bis-(4-furan-2-yl-phenyl)-allyloxy]-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid,

(E, Z)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-p-tolyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester,

(E, Z)-(2S)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-p-tolyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid, or

(E, Z)-(2R)-3-[4-(3-Biphenyl-4-yl-3-phenyl-allyloxy)-phenyl]-2-ethoxy-propionic acid ethyl ester;

30 or a salt thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base, or any optical isomer or mixture of optical isomers, or any tautomeric forms.

39. A pharmaceutical composition comprising, as an active ingredient, an effective amount of a compound of claim 1, together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

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